

IN THE CLAIMS:

1. (Canceled)

2. (Currently Amended) An assembly as defined in claim 1, claim 9, wherein said frame has a flat surface onto which said cable puller is capable of being mounted.

Claims 3-8. (Canceled)

9. (Currently Amended) An assembly as defined in claim 8, wherein capable of mounting a said cable puller has thereon, the cable puller having a housing, and a plurality of feet which extend downwardly from an underside of said the housing, said assembly comprising:

a wheeled carriage; and

an adapter mounted on the wheeled carriage, said adapter having a frame onto which the cable puller is capable of being mounted, and said frame is formed from first and second spars and at least one rib which spaces said spars apart from each other, the cable puller capable of abutting said spars and said at least one rib when mounted thereon, and wherein at least one window is being formed within said frame, said the feet of said the cable puller capable of being inserted into said at least one window when the cable puller is mounted on the frame.

10. (Currently Amended) An assembly ~~as defined in claim 8, further including capable of mounting a cable puller thereon, the cable puller having a housing defining a front end, said assembly comprising:~~

a wheeled carriage; and

an adapter mounted on said wheeled carriage, said adapter having a frame onto which the cable puller is capable of being mounted, and said frame is formed from first and second spars and at least one rib which spaces said spars apart from each other, the cable puller abutting said spars and said at least one rib, and a stop which extends outwardly from said the frame, at the front end of said the housing of said the cable puller capable of abutting against said stop when the cable puller is mounted on the frame.

11. (Currently Amended) An assembly ~~as defined in claim 8, further including capable of mounting a cable puller thereon, said assembly comprising:~~

a wheeled carriage; and

an adapter mounted on said wheeled carriage, said adapter having a frame onto which the cable puller is capable of being mounted, and said frame is formed from first and second spars and at least one rib which spaces said spars apart from each other, the cable puller abutting :aid spars and said at lcast one rib; and

a boom receptacle mounted to said frame, an idler roller mount mounted to said frame and an idler roller attached to said idler roller mount.

12. (Canceled)

13. (Currently Amended) An assembly as defined in ~~claim 1~~; claim 11, further including a boom tube attached to said adapter and a nose unit attached to said boom tube.

14. (Canceled)

15. (Canceled)

16. (Currently Amended) An assembly ~~as defined in claim 15, wherein capable of mounting~~ a said cable puller has thereon, the cable puller having a housing, and a plurality of feet which extend downwardly from an underside of said the housing, said assembly comprising:

a wheeled carriage; and

an adapter rotatably mounted to said wheeled carriage, said adapter having a frame onto
which the cable puller is capable of being mounted, said frame being formed from first and
second spars and at least one rib which spaces said spars apart from each other, and wherein at
least one window is formed within said frame, said the feet of said the cable puller capable of
being inserted into said at least one window when the cable puller is mounted on the frame.

17. (Currently Amended) An assembly ~~as defined in claim 15, further including capable of~~ mounting a cable puller theron, the cable puller having a housing defining a front end, said
assembly comprising:

a wheeled carriage; and

an adapter rotatably mounted to said wheeled carriage, said adapter having a frame onto which the cable puller is capable of being mounted, said frame being formed from first and second spars and at least one rib which spaces said spars apart from each other; and a stop which extends outwardly from said frame, a the front end of said the housing of said the cable puller capable of abutting against said stop when the cable puller is mounted on the frame.

18. (Currently Amended) An assembly as defined in claim 15, further including capable of mounting a cable puller thereon, said assembly comprising:

a wheeled carriage; and

an adapter rotatably mounted to the wheeled carriage, said adapter having a frame onto which the cable puller is capable of being mounted, said frame being formed from first and second spars and at least one rib which spaces said spars apart from each other; and

a boom receptacle mounted to said frame, an idler roller mount mounted to said frame and an idler roller attached to said idler roller mount.

19. (Previously Presented) An assembly as defined in claim 18, further including a boom tube attached to said boom receptacle and a nose unit attached to said boom tube.

20. (Currently Amended) An assembly as defined in claim 1, claim 9, wherein said adapter is removably mounted on said wheeled carriage, and the cable puller is removably mounted on said frame by the vise chains.

21. (Currently Amended) An assembly as defined in claim 1, claim 9, wherein said frame has two sides which are parallel to each other and extend from a front end to a rear end of said frame, the vise chains surrounding said sides of said frame.
22. (New) An assembly as defined in claim 10, wherein said frame has a flat surface onto which said cable puller is capable of being mounted.
23. (New) An assembly as defined in claim 11, wherein said frame has a flat surface or to which said cable puller is capable of being mounted.
24. (New) In combination, the assembly of claim 9 and the cable puller, said cable puller having vise chains for mounting the housing onto the frame.
25. (New) In combination, the assembly of claim 10 and the cable puller, said cable puller having vise chains for mounting the housing onto the frame.
26. (New) In combination, the assembly of claim 11 and the cable puller, said cable puller having a housing and vise chains for mounting the housing onto the frame.
27. (New) In combination, the assembly of claim 16 and the cable puller, said cable puller having vise chains for mounting the housing onto the frame.

28. (New) In combination, the assembly of claim 17 and the cable puller, said cable puller having vise chains for mounting the housing onto the frame.
29. (New) In combination, the assembly of claim 18 and the cable puller, said cable puller having a housing and vise chains for mounting the housing onto the frame.